As a parent and Wilton resident I am OPPOSED to the following bills being proposed. I want this to be as clear as possible to avoid any misunderstanding. If SB 738 / SB 457 / SB 874 are passed, I will be moving out of the state of Connecticut. Along with votes you will be losing the tax revenue that my family contributes to this state.

While the state has been completely mismanaged, I will not carry that burden any more than I already have. I moved my family to Wilton for the schools. I stay because of the schools. If the quality of those schools suffers, as it will under these proposals, I will leave. I certainly will not accept a reduction in quality in exchange for a higher tax bill.

I am not alone on this as I am sure that you already know. The issue is simple. If these bills pass, the school systems WILL suffer and I have no reason to stay in CT. In talking to other parents, they feel the same way. These people make up the majority of your tax revenue.

Do not proceed with these bills. I do not want to see a pilot program so some government statistician can claim success and push this legislation through. You are threatening the state's greatest asset in a misguided attempt to extract more money from people who will refuse to pay more.

We work hard and pay our taxes so our children can go to the school WE CHOSE not the one the government thinks are best. Do the right thing and stop this bill or you will lose more than you could ever gain by regionalization.

Sincerely, Lauren Gold A Very Angry Wilton Resident

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